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[Despatch Abstract.]

Forest Road Kottegal Division
Construction of a road from
Uthopuwa to Gopinatham Chief
conservator's proposal Approved

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ROADS - Kollegal Division - Construction of a road from Uthopium to Gopinatham.

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Reference No. 6543/38-A.2

Station Chepauk, Madras., *Dated the* 11th July 1939.

From (Name) C. C. Wilson, Esq., I.F.S.,
(Designation) Chief Conservator of Forests.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras;
DEVELOPMENT Department.

Sir,

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In G.O.No.Ms.281, Development, dated the 2nd February 1939, Government ordered that the proposal for the construction of roads in Ramapuram Range, Kollegal Division, should be renewed in connection with the Budget Estimate for 1940-41.

2. After discussion with the Conservator, Coimbatore Circle, while considering the general road system in Kollegal during my recent tour in that Division, I have decided that it will be best to postpone the main road scheme, Thalabetta-Gopinatham and feeder roads, which is estimated to cost over half a lakh of rupees, and to concentrate immediately on the short

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short easy part of the road from Uthapium down to Gopinatham on the shores of the Mettur lake and to make here, in the first instance, only a good cart track, such, however, as will be convertible into a more serviceable road should increase in traffic, and revenue from bamboos, justify it in the future. This would cost only some Rs.4,000, and will almost certainly enable us to sell the rich bamboo coupes on each side of this extensive valley, which are now unsaleable, at good prices.

3. This road is within my powers of sanction and could be completed within a few months of starting the work, and I propose to construct it in the current year. My reason for approaching Government is, that the big scheme, of which this is a small part, was submitted to Government in my Reference No.6543/38-A2 dated the 30th September 1938 as a part II scheme and was ordered by them to be put up again in connection with the Budget Estimate for 1940-41, and it is contrary to regulations to take up a major scheme, piece-meal, in order to avoid the sanction of higher authority. If the inexpensive road now proposed proves as profitable as is expected, the extended road system previously envisaged can be sanctioned later.

4. It is possible to meet the expenditure in the current year by reappropriation.

5. A rough sketch showing the position of the proposed road is enclosed.

6. I request the approval of Government to the action I now propose to take in this matter.

For Chief Conservator of Forests.

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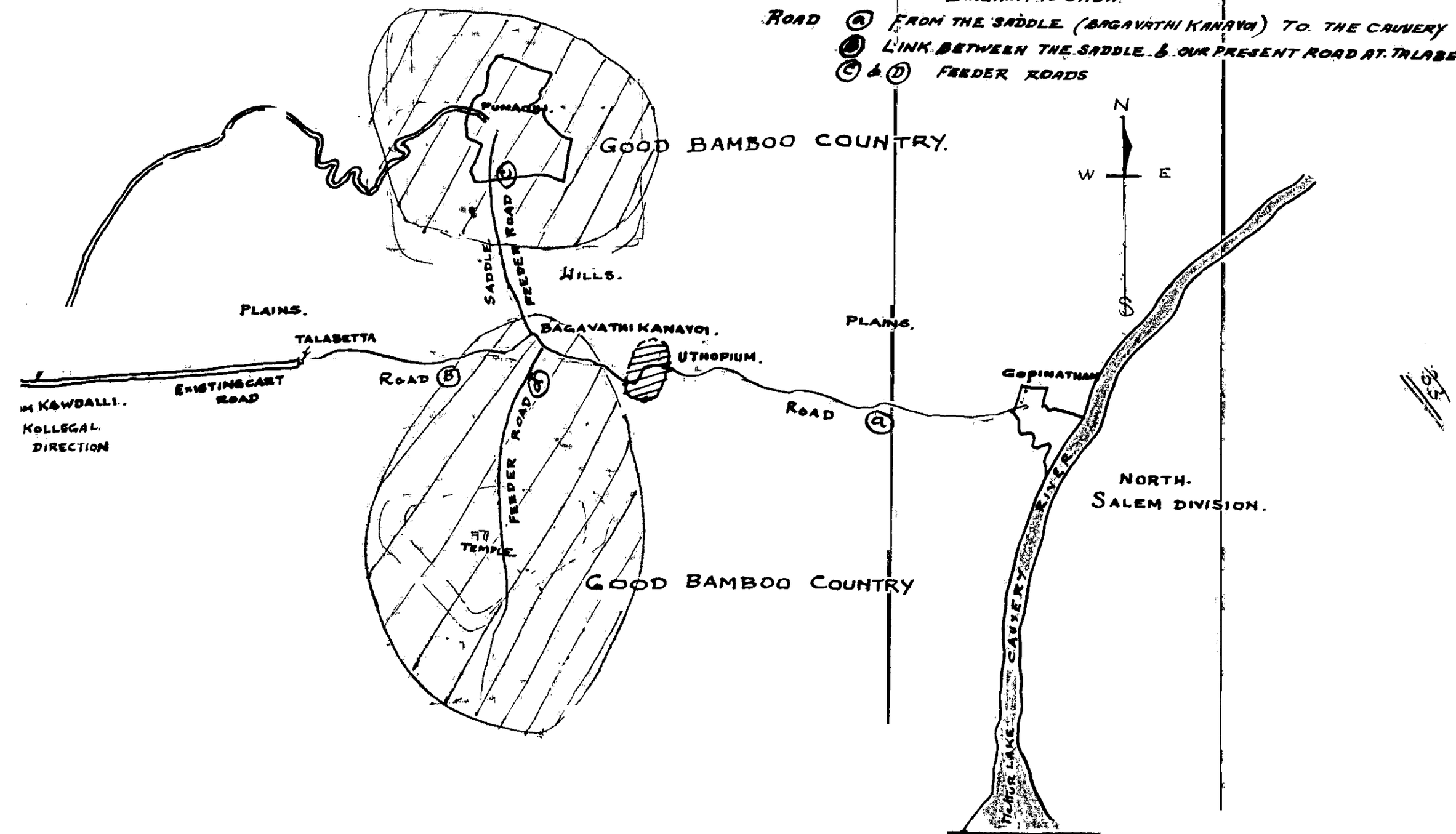
NOT TO SCALE.

DIAGRAM TO SHOW

ROAD (A) FROM THE SADDLE (BAGAVATHI KANAVOI) TO THE CAUVERY

(B) LINK BETWEEN THE SADDLE & OUR PRESENT ROAD AT TALABETTA

(C) & (D) FEEDER ROADS



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From the C.C.F. Ref. No.
6543/38 - A.2 d. 11.7.39.

To A.S.

Please see the reference from the C.C.F. on pp 1-2 C.F.

The C.C.F. reports that he has since decided to post-pone the main road scheme Thalakota - Gopinathum and feeder roads, and to concentrate

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immediately on the short ~~easy~~ part of the road from Uthopium down to Gopinathum on the shores of the Mettur lake and to make there, in the first instance, only a good Cart track, ~~as~~ which will be convertible into

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a more serviceable road should increase in traffic and revenue from bamboos, justi-fy it in the future. He further states that the present proposal would cost only ~~Rs~~ Rs 4,000/- and would enable to sell the rich bamboo Copes on either ~~east~~ side of this extensive valley, which are now unsale-able at good prices.

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2 Though the road is within the powers of sanction of the C.C.F., himself, he has approached Govt. for the reasons given in para 3 of p 2 C.F. p 2 C.F.

He has also submitted a sketch showing the position of the proposed road and reports that it is possible to meet the expenditure in the current year by reappropriation p 3 C F. para 4 of p 2 C.F.

In the circumstances stated by the C.C.F. It is submitted for orders whether ~~the C.C.F.~~ his present proposal may be approved Subject to ~~After~~ orders ~~are passed the file may perhaps be sent to finance for remarks~~

A draft order is submitted for approval. It may go to Finance 16/7. for acceptance.

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The road will be laid in rich forest country and will afford an outlet to bamboos ~~forests~~ to the Shores of Mettur Lake whence they can be easily transported to markets far and near by water & rail.

[I have a lively recollection of my journey on horse back from Cowdally to Gobinatham through almost wild country in 1928 as R.D.O. Kollegal]

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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To A.S.

The draft may now issue.

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READ AGAIN G.O. 281 Dev, dated 2.2.1939. -pb5 of (N)

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Order Ms. / ~~Resolution Rout.~~ No. 1915, dated 2-8-1939

In the circumstances explained by the C.C.F., H.E. the Governor of Madras is pleased to approve his proposal to construct a good cart track from Uthapuram to Gopinathapuram in the Kollegal Forest Division in the current year at a cost not exceeding Rs 4000/-.

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To.

The C.C.F.

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